States, has the broad support of the United States, the United Kingdom, France and Russia.

Ahmedabad-Vadodara Expressway

*423. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:†
SHRI LEKHRAJ BACHANI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that extension of Ahmedabad-Vadodara express-way upto Mumbai is being proposed under National Highway Development Programme;

(b) whether Government are aware that Gujarat has frozen development in a band of 300 mts. on either side of finalized alignment; and

(c) if so, the time-frame for acquisition of land and the starting of the project?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T. R. BAALU): (a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(a) and (b) Under National Highways Development Project (NHDP) Phase—VI, which is yet to be approved by the Government, construction of 1000 km. of Expressways is envisaged. It is premature to indicate the name of Expressways under NHDP Phase-VI including extension of Ahmedabad-Vadodara Expressway upto Mumbai and its alignment. However, Central Government is aware that Government of Gujarat has instructed local bodies (Vadodara Urban Development Authority & various Gram Panchayats) to reserve 300 m. land on either side of some alignment proposed earlier.

(c) Does not arise.

SHRI RAJU PARMAR: I would like to know from the hon. Minister, because in his reply, he has said that the Government is yet to approve the Phase-3 scheme, when he is going to approve this National Highways Development Project Phase-3 and I want to know whether he will assure the House to include this Ahmedabad-Vadodara strech up to Mumbai Highway to include this in Phase-6.

†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Raju Parmar.

SHRI T.R. BAALU: As far as National Highways Development Programme Phase-3 is concerned, matter of 10,000 kilometres was taken up before the Cabinet. The Cabinet, in its wisdom, has approved for 4,000 kilometres. There is NHDP-3A, but in this particular project, the stretch has been included in Phase-3B which has not yet got the Cabinet approval. The highest authority may approve it. As and when it is approved, we will take up the matter.

SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Mr. Chariman, Sir a number of projects for construction of 2-lane, 4-lane expressways are lying with the Central Government for approval. I would like to know the complete details of projects received from the Gujarat Government and by when these projects are likely to be cleared.

SHRI T.R. BAALU: As far as Gujarat Government is concerned, they have sent so many CRF proposals, but as far as the National Highways Development Programme is concerned, we are yet to receive.

SHRI LEKHRAJ BACHANI: I will draw the attention of the hon. Minister that the Ministry of Surface Transport, New Delhi, decided the policy for the construction of National Highways on 27th October, 1992 and issued instructions to the Government of Gujarat for acquisition of land. Now, one portion from Ahemdabad to Mumbai is ready and under operation, inaugurated by the then hon. Prime Minister, Shri Vajpayeeji. Now, only 350 kilometre distance remains. All the four-lane roads are ready on both sides. And as per the instructions of the Government of India, 300 metre land is already reserved in four districts - Vadodara, Baruch, Navsari, and Balsar - up to the border of Mumbai and that land is reserved as per instructions of the Government of India since 1992. If he is still saying that it is pre-mature, when would the hon. Minister assure the House that this scheme, which was started in 1992, would be completed?

SHRI T.R. BAALU: Sir, it is a fact that in 1992, the Additional Director-General of the Ministry of Road Transport sent a letter to the Government of Maharashtra and a copy of it to the Government of Gujarat. But, as far as this particular Expressway is concerned, the alignment has not been frozen. The Expressway concept was discussed at that time, but even now the Expressway concept has not yet been approved. The hon. Prime Minister in his wisdom flagged the issue in the meeting of the Committee of Infrastructure. He wanted to establish a 1000 Km. Expressway, but it has not got the full approval. But, at the same time, this particular stretch form Vadodara to Mumbai is the most important stretch, which has got

the PCU of 80,000; it has to be established as an Expressway. But till such time it is approved by the appropriate authorities, I cannot assure it. For proper alignment, a Consultant has been asked to conduct a proper pre-feasible study.

मोबाइल सेवाओं की गुणवत्ता

*424. **श्रीमती प्रेमा करियप्पा:** क्या संचार और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री 24 नवम्बर, 2005 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न सं॰ 143 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) भारतीय दूरसंचार विनियामक प्राधिकरण (ट्राई) द्वारा 8 जुलाई, 2005 को जारी विनियम द्वारा सेवा की गुणवत्ता संबंधी संशोधित मानदंडों का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) किन स्थानों पर सेवा की गुणवत्ता ट्राई द्वारा निर्धारित सेवा की गुणवत्ता संबंधी मानदण्डों से कम पाई गई है;

(ग) क्या बेस स्टेशन टावर (बीएसटी) की कमी के कारण उपभोक्ताओं को एस॰ एम॰ एस॰ समय पर नहीं मिल पाते हैं, विशेषकर त्योहारों के समय, किन्तु उनसे उनका भुगतान लिया जाता है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस स्थिति को रोकने के लिए सरकार क्या कदम उठा रही है?

संचार और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री (श्री दयानिधि मारन): (क) से (घ) विवरण सभा पटल पर रख दिया गया है।

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(क) भारतीय दूरसंचार विनियामक प्राधिकरण (ट्राई) ने जुलाई, 2005 में जारी सेवा गुणवत्ता संबंधी विनियमों द्वारा सेल्युलर मोबाइल नेटवर्क की स्थितियों की मॉनीटरिंग के लिए कुछ नए पैरामीटर निर्धारित किए हैं। सेवा गुणवत्ता संबंधी अतिरिक्त पैरामीटरों तथा बुनियादी बेतार सेवा और सेल्युलर मोबाइल सेवा के लिए उनके बेंचमार्कों की सूची विवरण-1 में दी गई है (नीचे देखिए)

(ख) ट्राई सेवा प्रदाताओं द्वारा सेवा क्षेत्र के आधार पर प्रस्तुत तिमाही कार्य-निष्पादन मॉनीटरिंग रिपोर्टों के माध्यम से सेल्युलर मोबाइल सेवाओं की सेवा गुणवत्ता की निगरानी करता है। सेल्युलर मोबाइल सेवा के संबंध में तिमाही कार्य-निष्पादन मॉनीटरिंग रिपोर्टों (सितंबर, 2005 को समाप्त तिमाही) से यह पता चलता है कि सेवा प्रदाता कुछ सेवा क्षेत्रों में कुछ पैरामीटरों के लिए निर्धारित बेंचमार्कों को पूरा नहीं कर रहे हैं। सेल्युलर मोबाइल सेवा संबंधी तिमाही कार्य-निष्पादन मॉनीटरिंग